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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re National Phase PCT Application of

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For: Method for Reducing The Availability Of Heavy  
Metal Nutrients And The Use Of Cross Linked  
Poly(Meth)Acrylates In Said Method

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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S I R:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application please amend the  
application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

Page 1, before the first line insert the Title -- Method Of Reducing The Availability Of Heavy  
Metals In Plants And The Use Of Cross Linked Poly(Meth)Acrylates In Said Method --;

Lines 2 and 3, delete "and the use of cross linked poly(meth)acrylates in said process";